

### Karen L. Wilson

In March, **Karen L. Wilson** submitted the completed manuscript of her final publication of the University of Chicago's 1903–1905 excavations at Bismaya (ancient Adab) to the Oriental Institute Publications Office. During the spring and summer, she continued to work with Anna R. Ressman, Oriental Institute Photographer, to obtain final images for the Mesopotamian Gallery Guide, the text for which also has been completed.

Having finished her work on Bismaya, Karen moved on to another project — collaborating with a group of scholars to prepare the final publication of Oriental Institute excavations in the late 1950s and early 1960s at the sites of Nippur and Abu Salabikh in Iraq. Karen will be responsible for preparing the manuscript dealing with the two short seasons at Abu Salabikh and for the ceramics and pre-Early Dynastic period small finds from Nippur. She would like to thank NELC graduate student Alexandra Witsell for her able assistance on this project.

In addition, Karen continued to serve as Kish Project Coordinator at the Field Museum, preparing a catalog of finds from the Joint Field Museum and Oxford University Expedition to Kish in 1923–1933. And thanks to a grant from the Department of Defense, Karen will continue as a staff member at the Field for the next year to coordinate the production of a final site report for Kish.

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